# VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 19, 2010

A monthly meeting of the City Council of Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building, 795 Lake Shore Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Mayor Cooper.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor James Cooper

Council Members Victoria Boyce, Robert Graziani

Brian Hunt, Thaddeus Kedzierski, Fred Minturn and Daniel Schulte

Also present: City Clerk/Manager Brian P. Vick

City Attorney Mark McInerney
Finance Director Rhonda Ricketts
Public Works Director Brett Smith
Public Safety Director, Stephen Poloni

All correspondence and reports relating to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2009 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the December 15, 2009 Regular Council Meeting were approved on motion by Council Member Hunt,se conded by Council Member Minturn and carried as follows:

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani, Hunt, Minturn and Schulte

NAYS: Council Member Kedzierski

ABSENT: None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2009 CLOSED SESSION MEETING

The minutes of the December 15, 2009 Closed Session Meeting were approved on motion by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Council Member Minturn and carried by unanimous vote.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Frank Tenkel, 32 Roslyn Road – Regarding well renewal deposits and fees.

Raymond Rahi,805 Michaux Lane - Regarding budget and finance.

## REPORTS BY CHAIRMEN OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

#### A. Budget and Finance

1. Approval of the Bills

The monthly bills were presented by Finance Officer Ricketts, reviewed, discussed and approved for immediate payment on motion by Council Member Minturn,se conded by Council Member Graziani and carried as follows:

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani, Hunt, Kedzierski, and Minturn

NAYS: Council Member Schulte

ABSENT: None

2. Review of Financial Statements

The financial statements were reviewed and placed on file.

#### B. Public Safety

1. Statistical Report and Monthly Update

The statistical report and monthly update were reviewed and placed on file.

Public Safety Director Poloni reported on the following:

 Acknowledgement of Accommodation to Lieutenant David Younk from Macomb Community College and Operation Freedom from Iraq.

#### C. Public Works

1. Monthly Update

Director Smith reported on the following public works activities:

- Snow accumulation
- Lake Shore Road Construction (South of Vernier)
- Vernier Road Construction Schedule
- Pending legislation regarding refuse disposal

#### D Park and Harbor

1. Monthly Update

In the absence of Park Director Jim Cooke, Mr. Vick reported on the following park and harbor activities:

- Annual Chili Cook-Off Event Mr. Vick consulted the Council as to the desire to have the event given the cost, attendance, and budgeting constraints. It was the general consensus of the Council to proceed with the event.
- 2. Harbor Update

Park and Harbor Liaison Schulte reported on the following:

- January 6<sup>th</sup> Harbor Ad Hoc Committee Meeting update
- Clean Harbors Initiative
- Progress of break wall repairs
- · Fill the Harbor Initiative
- Harbor Rules Update

A brief discussion ensued between the Council and Harbor Chairman Brian Geraghty regarding the "Buy a home, get a well" offer. It was agreed to amend the proposal to include that the well not be transferrable. Motion to approve the "Buy a home, get a well" proposal as amended and to authorize the changes in the harbor manual for the 2010 season was offered by Council Member Schulte, seconded by Council Member Hunt and carried by unanimous vote.

#### E. Legal Report

City Attorney Mark McInerney reported on the following:

Newly appointed Judge Theodore Metry

#### F. Manager's Report

Manager Brian Vick reported on the following:

- Marina Fishing Authorization Form
- Pending Legislation MML Link

#### G. Mayor's Report

Mayor Cooper reported on the following:

- Poupard Elementary School Assembly
- Mayor Office Hours

#### OLD BUSINESS

## Appointments to Board of Review

A motion to increase Board of Review Members from 3 members and 2 alternate members to 6 members was offered by Council Member Kedzierski, seconded by Council Member Schulte. The motion failed to carry as follows:

AYES: Council Members Kedzierski and Schulte

NAYS: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani, Hunt, and Minturn

ABSENT: None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Ordinance Amendment - Minor in Possession

Mr. McInerney addressed the Council regarding the proposed amendment to the Minor in Possession Ordinance (Ordinance 250) and recommendation that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute said ordinance on behalf of the City. Motion to adopt Ordinance 250 as amended was offered by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Council Member Minturn and carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Vito Cusenza,5 62 Ballantyne Road – Regarding Board of Review members; and 2010 Chili Cook-Off event.

John Booth, 980 Lake Shore Road – Timeline regarding Operating Budget draft; tax increase deadline; and filing of recall campaign petitions.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Kedzierski – Regarding attracting new residents to Grosse Pointe Shores; and maintaining city services.

Council Member Boyce - Upcoming GPS Beautification Conference.

Council Member Minturn - No comment.

Council Member Schulte – Regarding meeting broadcast improvements; and multi-year tinancial plan.

Council Member Graziani – Thanked audience members for coming and looks forward to working with Administration and Council in the upcoming year.

Council Member Hunt - No comments.

#### NEXT MEETINGS

The next two meetings of the Council are scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 16, 2010 and Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at the GPS Municipal Building.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Cooper asked for a motion and a roll call to enter into closed session.

## ROLL CALL VOTE ON CLOSED SESSION FOR CONSIDERATION OF A WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION AS PERMITTED BY 15.268 8(h) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani, Hunt, Kedzierski, and Minturn

NAYS: Council Member Schulte

ABSENT: None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Council was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Brian P. Vic	k, City Clerk	

## VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES February 2, 2010

A Special Council meeting of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, February 2, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building, 795 Lake Shore Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by Mayor Cooper.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor James Cooper

Council Members Victoria Boyce, Robert Graziani

Thaddeus Kedzierski, and Daniel Schulte

Absent: Council Members Brian Hunt and Fred Minturn

Also present: City Clerk/Manager Brian P. Vick

Finance Director Rhonda Ricketts

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## VOTE ON HARBOR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION RELATED TO BOATWELL DEPOSITS

Council Member/Harbor Liaison Schulte reported that the Harbor Ad Hoc Committee held a special meeting on January 26, 2010 regarding boatwell deposits. As a result of this meeting the Harbor Committee is requesting a change to make the non refundable portion of the deposit be reduced to 15% from 50%. All other aspects of the fees would remain the same as published for 2010 and can be stated as the following:

- Only 15% of the 2010 well fee is non-refundable
- Due dates and amounts remain the same as advertised in the renewal notice
  - First payment due on February 15<sup>th</sup> (50% of well fee)
  - o Balance due on April 15<sup>th</sup> (remaining 50% of the well fee)

Motion to accept the provision in the Harbor rules regarding well fee deposit requirements was offered by Council Member Schulte, seconded by Council Member Boyce and carried as follows:

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani, Kedzierski and Schulte

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members Hunt and Minturn

## MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Cooper mentioned that at the Pension Board Meeting earlier in the day the Committee Chair inquired into the recall and any implications that it may have on the City or how it would affect the operations of the Pension Board. As this is not a question that the elected officials nor appointed officers are capable of answering the Mayor made the Motion that the City Attorney look into the scenario of having five elected officials recalled and report back to City Council on how the City would operate in this scenario. Supported by council member Boyce.

During discussion a motion was made by Council Member Schulte to lay this matter on the table until the regularly scheduled council meeting in February. Support by Kedzierski.

AYES: Council Members Kedzierski and Schulte

NAYS: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani

ABSENT: Council Members Hunt and Minturn

The original motion by Mayor Cooper and Supported by Boyce to have the City Attorney look into the implications of the recall on the operations of the City was restated and voted as follows:

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Council Members Boyce, Graziani

NAYS: Council Members Kedzierski and Schulte

ABSENT: Council Members Hunt and Minturn

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Janice Pemberton, 62 Michaux Court – Regarding recall process; and agenda item procedures.

John Booth, 980 Lake Shore Road - Regarding the recall and past accretion lawsuit.

Alex DePetro, 48 Hawthorne Road- Regarding recall and past accretion lawsuit.

Raymond Rahi, 805 Michaux Lane – Regarding recall process.

Harry Kurtz, 20 N. Duval -- Regarding recall process.

## ADJOURNMENT INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Special Meeting of the Council was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on motion by Council Member Boyce, seconded by Council Member Graziani and carried by unanimous vote.

Brian P. Vick, City Clerk